

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 53 public bills, H.R. 2142–2194; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 55; and H. Res. 297–301 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1759, to amend title III of the Social Security Act to extend reemployment services and eligibility assessments to all claimants for unemployment compensation, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 116–38); and

H.R. 1957, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modernize and improve the Internal Revenue Service, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–39, Part 1).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Lawson (FL) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:50 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Darryl D. Roberts, 19th Street Baptist Church, Washington, DC.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Building on Reemployment Improvements to Deliver Good Employment for Workers Act: H.R. 1759, amended, to amend title III of the Social Security Act to extend reemployment services and eligibility assessments to all claimants for unemployment compensation, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 393 yeas to 24 nays, Roll No. 162; Pages H3148–51, H3168

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend title III of the Social Security Act to extend reemployment services and eligibility assessments to all claimants for unemployment benefits, and for other purposes.”

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Taxpayer First Act of 2019: H.R. 1957, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modernize and improve the Internal Revenue Service.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, April 10th.

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Authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust:

The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 31, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.

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Authorizing the printing of the 26th edition of the pocket version of the Constitution of the United States: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to S. Con. Res. 7, authorizing the printing of the 26th edition of the pocket version of the Constitution of the United States.

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Electing Members to the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library and the Joint Committee on Printing: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 226, electing Members to the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library and the Joint Committee on Printing.

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Save the Internet Act of 2019: The House considered H.R. 1644, to restore the open internet order of the Federal Communications Commission. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, April 10th.

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Pursuant to the Rule, it shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–10, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill.

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Agreed to:

Burgess amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–37) that directs GAO to initiate a study to examine the influence of all entities on the virtuous cycle of the internet ecosystem and whether such rules protect the access of consumers to a free and open internet;

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Latta amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–37) that requires the FCC to share the list of 700 rules that will be permanently forborne by the FCC should this bill become law;

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Waters amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–37) that directs the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a report to Congress examining the importance of 2015 Open Internet Order to ethnic and racial minorities, socioeconomically disadvantaged groups, rural populations, individuals with disabilities, and the elderly; and

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Porter amendment (No. 5 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–37) that requires the FCC to submit a report, within 1 year of enactment, to the Committees of Jurisdiction that describes all enforcement actions taken since enactment by the FCC with respect to persons engaged in the provision of broadband Internet access service, including the amount of each fine imposed or settlement agreed to, the actions taken by the FCC to collect such fines and settlements, and the amounts collected for such fines and settlements. **Pages H3183–84**

Proceedings Postponed:

Delgado amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–37) that seeks to require GAO to produce a report, within 1 year, reviewing the benefits to consumers of broadband internet access providers offering broadband internet access service on a standalone basis and what steps Congress can take to increase the availability of standalone broadband internet access service to consumers, particularly those living in rural areas; and **Pages H3182–83**

Wexton amendment (No. 6 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–37) that seeks to require the Federal Communications Commission to submit to Congress within 30 days a plan for how the Commission will evaluate and address problems with the collection on Form 477 of data regarding the deployment of broadband Internet access service. **Pages H3184–85**

H. Res. 294, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1644) and (H.R. 2021) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 161, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 160. Pursuant to section 3 of H. Res. 294, H. Res. 293 was adopted. **Pages H3166–68**

Senate Referral: S. 1057 was held at the desk.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate and message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H3166 and H3179.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes were developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3166–67, H3167–68, and H3168. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from William P. Barr, Attorney

General; and Lee J. Lofthus, Assistant Attorney General for Administration.

MEMBER DAY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Allen, Carter of Georgia, Cox, Rodney Davis of Illinois, Duncan, González-Colón of Puerto Rico, Granger, Griffith, Hagedorn, Johnson of Louisiana, Lamb, Mast, McNerney, Mucarsel-Powell, O’Halloran, Olson, Peters, Ruiz, Scalise, Shimkus, Titus, Upton, Wilson of South Carolina, and Wittman.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a budget hearing on the Department of the Treasury. Testimony was heard from Steven Mnuchin, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

APPROPRIATIONS—U.S. SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a budget hearing on the U.S. Special Operations Command. Testimony was heard from General Richard D. Clarke, Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command. This hearing was closed.

COMBATTING WAGE THEFT: THE CRITICAL ROLE OF WAGE AND HOUR ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Combating Wage Theft: The Critical Role of Wage and Hour Enforcement”. Testimony was heard from Kwame Raoul, Attorney General, Illinois; and public witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Department of Agriculture. Testimony was heard from Erica Navarro, Budget Officer, Department of Agriculture; and Sonny Perdue, Secretary, Department of Agriculture.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Indian Health Service. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Michael D.